[Mr. C. V. Chandrasekharan.]

derives from asking me to repeat the answer. Two years ago Government introduced certain rules restricting the admission to the intermediate and B. A. classes. For the B. A. classes the rules were that any applicant who had made more than three attempts, to pass the Intermediate examination should not be admitted. For the Intermediate, in addition to the three attempts rule there was the standard in regard to marks. On account of these rules some applicants were refused admission.

MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil II*): May I know whether it is with a view to help the management of private colleges that these rules were passed?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): Certainly not, Sir.

MR. K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*): May I know whether these rules will apply irrespective of the fact that there is accommodation in the colleges?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): Yes, Sir.

Electric Supply in the Trivandrum Town.

137. ***MR. S. J. NAIR** (*Nedumangad*): With reference to the answer to interpellation No. 187 answered on the 7th August 1936 part (*c*), will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the probable date on which the tariff rates will be revised; and

(*b*) whether the consumer's expenditure will be limited to the electrification within his compound walls, all other expenses being incurred by the Electric Department?

MR. K. MADHAVA KURUP (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): (*a*) The rates for the supply of power for domestic consumers for lights and fans have been reduced from 6 annas to 5 annas per unit with effect from the 1st of Chingam 1112. The rates for small power installations have been revised as follows with effect from 28-7-1936:—

(i) Small installations up to 10 H. P. requiring power intermittently and consuming less than 12,000 units per annum—3 annas per unit.

(ii) For installations consuming above 12,000 units per annum —a flat rate of 1½ annas per unit.

(*b*) The consumer has to pay, in addition to his installation charges, the cost of all service connections beyond 50 feet from the nearest supply main. The cost of meter boards, cut-outs, etc. is borne by the Department in all cases.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know the reason for not permitting the consumer's expenditure in the matter of electrification being limited to the compound walls?

MR. K. MADHAVA KURUP (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): The only concession is in respect of fifty feet from the nearest supply main it has nothing to do with the compound walls.

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